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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE  
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Applicant(s) wish to disclose the following information:

REFERENCES



The Applicant(s) wish to make of record the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available English translations of pertinent portions of any non-English language references.



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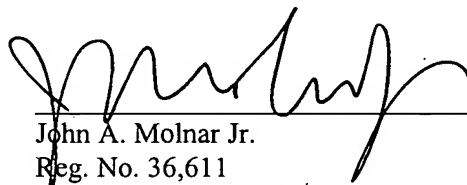
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- ☐ Applicant(s) hereby request consideration of the attached information. A check is attached in the amount of the Petition fee required under 37 CFR §1.17(i)(1).

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**RELATED CASES**

<b>Serial No.</b>	<b>Inventor</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Filing Date</b>
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## OTHER PRIOR ART

	AT	Powerboat Reports, dated March 2002, pages 20-22.
	AU	EC Knowledge Center - Block Copolymers - In the U.S. Adhesives Industry published by ChemQuest, dated 11/01/2001.
	AV	Kraton Polymers Material Safety Data Sheet, Rev. 02, dated 02/14/2003.
	AW	Six sheets regarding Kraton Polymers. Applicants request the Examiner to consider this reference as prior art under 102(a), however, Applicants respectfully reserve the right to supplement this Information Disclosure Statement and take a contrary position should it be necessary.

Examiner:	Date Considered:
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